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18. The filling connection according to Claim 15, wherein a spring-biased check valve is fitted in the discharge connection so as to block gas flow in the filling direction.

19. The filling connection according to Claim 15, wherein the discharge connection and the filling union each open into a separate through bore in the valve body.

20. The filling connection according to Claim 15, wherein the discharge connection and the filling union each open into a common through bore in the valve body.

21. The filling connection according to Claim 15, wherein the discharge connection and filling union are formed in one piece with the valve body.

22. The filling connection according to Claim 15, wherein the filling union is screwed into the valve body.

23. The filling connection according to Claim 15, wherein the filling union has an outer annular groove for engagement of a filling coupling.

~~24. The filling connection according to Claim 15, wherein the filling union has a company/user specific form for coding, matched to the corresponding filling coupling being used.~~

25. The filling connection according to Claim 15, wherein at least one valve, in particular a spring-biased check valve is fitted in the filling union and adapted to block gas flow in the discharge direction.

26. The filling connection according to Claim 15, wherein the at least one valve comprises a spring-biased check valve.

~~27. The filling connection according to Claim 15, wherein the filling union is adapted to be coupled to a filling station capable of being automated.~~